TURN YOU

CH 3

Ow, my ears feel like they've popped.

RUB
So soft...
RUB
Ahh, that feels nice.
Oh god, it's awake.
It's tail... like a dog.
♫I'm just American trash.♫
How'd you get down there?
Tessa doesn't usually call me this early.
Hel-
ELLA!
What'cha doin'?
Literally just woke up.
What?? You didn't sleep with it on? Wow, lame!
What kind of question is that? WHO SLEEPS IN LATEX?
So, Friday?
Yeah. Bye.
Later.

Just gotta finish this and I'll be free!
What are you doing?
Work.
You sit here all day, barely moving?
Jesus, man, you startled me.
That's part of the job. Can't do art if I'm moving around.
Now that you mention it, I do have to break for exercise.
12:01
Would you paint me?
Er, I'm... not very good at drawing animals.
I'd like to practice but work keeps me too busy.
And canvases are expensive to waste on practice.
Would you use me as a canvas for your art?
Drawing on a living canvas? That'd be...
That'd be...

That'd be weird. Don't you think?
-STRETCH-
I'd call it a traditional action.
Dress down 息が止まる程 見つめられたくって
이제야 고백하는데 나가 나를 만나기 훨씬 전부터 내 여자였어
Verlier all deine Tugend
Verlier sie ganz bewusst
Vergiss auch dein Gewissen
They are speaking, but I do not understand them at all.
It's foreign music. I don't understand it, either, but I like the way it sounds.
I've never heard music before. Though, I think your... phone, was playing it, yes?
How is that poss-- well, I did just wake you up yesterday.
I can feel it vibrating through the floor and into my being, this music.
Even in these chains, you can't stop me.
Oh, I understood that!

This is one of my favourite songs. Got me interested in wolves.
Once upon a time, There was a nasty little piggy filled with pride and greed.
Even in these chains, you can't stop me.
It makes me feel alive. Like, wild. It's also how I started exercising.
My back started hurting a lot from sitting all day, barely moving. So I had to find a way to take breaks.
So I had to fight it with something I love just as much.
And this song. It's one I can just, let loose. So that got me interested in dancing to other things.
Everything I do, you do along with me
You see this evil pig she's a blood, blood, blood sucking part of me
No matter where you run, you cannot hide from me.
My back hasn't bothered me as much now!

I think you dance beautifully.
Are you alright?
I...
My heart feels weird. Maybe because I choked on water.
Or the adrenaline from exercising. That's more likely. I should stop for now.
Aaand finished. Send a photo to the commisisoner. See if they like it, then ship it to them.
FRIDAY
JUNE 8th
"Forgetfulness is a form of Freedom."
And now there's three new commission requests.
Freedom eludes me yet again!
Yeah, a traditional suit is nice and all-- would recommend it to anyone but...
Living suits are a whole new tier to be explored!
Yeah, a living, breathing furry suit.
You're not WRONG, but you know it's different. Furries aren't real, but this is. And there's nothing wrong with furries. And this suit shouldn't be shamed for what he is, as a sapient animal suit.

Serenity Vauss says she's gonna be at the Parasynth Convention.
Goddamn, her hips are fuckin' perfect, and her nose is so cute.
I wanna shake her hand but I'd probably screw it up somehow.
They say she wore a dragon suit for so long that even after taking it off, her skin remained with a shiny scale texture. So fuckin' cool.
We should totally go.
Might have work.
Take a day off.
Anyway, look at this cool gasmask. Oh, this totally matches my vibes.
Nice. I like that dress.
I could get it too? I'm definitely buying this thing.
Ehhh... I probably wouldn't wear it anywhere anyway.
Women have a bunch of clothes they never wear hanging in their closet.
What's one more for you?
Mmmaybe.

By the way, when's the last time you wore--what did you call him again?

He feels kinda staticky.

Zeich. And uhm. I uh... haven't.

Don't give me that look! I'm not the world's most reliable person when it comes to taking care of animals, okay?

You remember the goldfish and plants. I don't--I don't have time to dedicate my life to this kind of thing when you know work takes up most of my free time.

Ella, it's called FREE TIME for a reason. Freed, not paid labour. Look at him, he's not even shiny!

I can produce a natural lubricant that keeps my body protected from drying out, but without enough blood, it stops.

Good thing I brought my polish.
Why do you have polish if you don't even have latex?
Why not?
If you won't polish this thing, I will!
PLT
PT
Hey wait a minute, I didn't say I wouldn't!
You should really get some polish if you aren't gonna wear him enough.
I did not know you could make our fluids.
Yeah, they do! We're gonna make you supple!
Tessa, it's not like I wanted to take care of this thing in the first place. I didn't ask for it.
It's like buying people puppies or kittens for Christmas--a lot of people just aren't prepared to commit to taking care of that kind of thing! That's why you ASK them beforehand!
Oh... a kitten.

I've got a life, you know. Work to do. Always work. Because there's nothing else I can do.

Zeich may help you break your workaholism.

But I like working. I love art. Why would I stop that?

Look at you, the way you take care of yourself. It's not healthy.

You pretty much sit in one room all day in the same spot, just working.

You don't eat enough, and you always complain about your wrists because you never take enough breaks.

And then you take on so much more work than you're able to handle.

And in some ways I think it's so you have an excuse to avoid interacting with other people.

But it's, it's all I know how to do, y'know?

You're good at plenty of things, but since you've holed yourself up in this room for years, it kinda feels like you've lost those things.

Which is why, I brought you someone you can't ignore like the rest. Someone you have to be with.

Does this help, Zeich?
Indeed, thank you. It was most pleasant.
Oh shit, he's wagging his tail that's too cute!
I can take him back if you honestly don't want him, but like, what happens if I die? You'll have no friends in real life. At least TRY to make new friends
If not with other people, then starting with Zeich
Hell's bells, okay. I get it. I hate life lectures. Makes my head hurt. I'll MAKE time for it. I'll make time to wear it like tomorrow night. After work.
Work. I need to pay bills. Unlike you and your high-paying fancy government job.
Dude you make more than I do in a month with one drawing
I'm here all day tomorrow. I'll make sure that happens
Fine
Now pass me some of those Coreos
COREOS

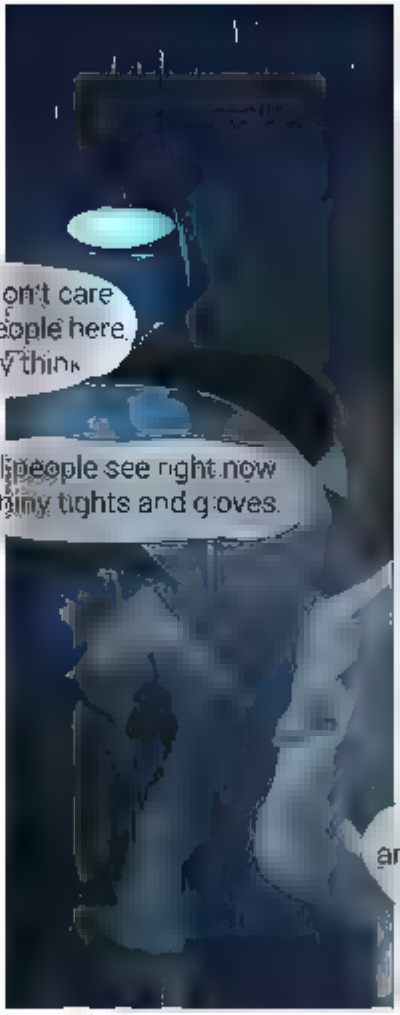
Anatomy of an Average Weekend Between These Two
Ella works, Tessa
and browses through
while occasionally sharing
something funny and/or
voice-chatting with their girlfriend.
Sometimes they go somewhere. Usually
it's out to eat or to watch a movie.
Sometimes work is not going on.
But it's only around Tessa that
Ella's brain shuts off like this.
the Tessas out there.

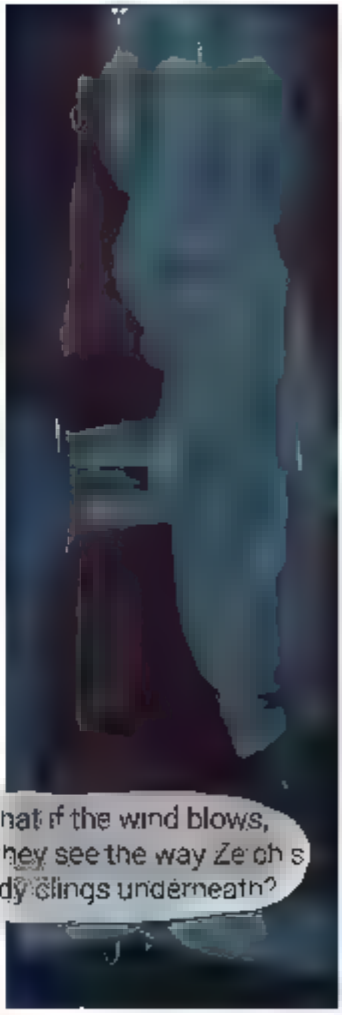
LATER...
Ella, put on the damn suit
19:14
I'm doing it I'm doing it
Now what?
I'm hungry and want some hot dogs
Oh, I've got some down in the freezer if you want
NO TIME TO WAIT FOR UNFREEZING! We go OUT!
Wait, hel no
YES I wanna wear this thing
It's the only rubber thing I can find in stores that I fit me!
This is freaking insane!
How could I possibly wear this thing in public?!
It's interesting though. Long ago, humans were attracted to glossy and shiny things as a way to find water
Yet, the first rubber clothing was raingear. Designed to repel water. Yet humans seek water. We live for water
If I recall correctly, suits can redistribute their mass to fit underneath clothing
Won't get hot though?
That's a common misconception. If it's cold, the latex is cold. If it's hot, the latex is hot. And since it's cool at night

The hot dog place isn't even that far away You'll be fine!
But it's raining

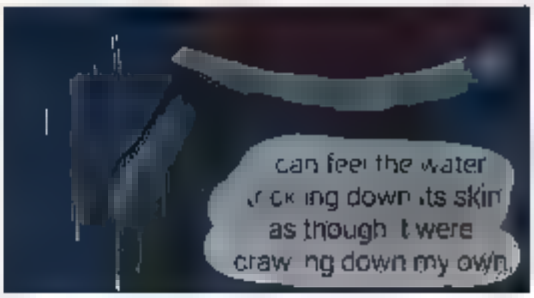
m not ready for this

Tessa doesn't seem to mind


ke they don't care about the people here, what they think
All people see right now is shiny tights and gloves.


What if the wind blows, and they see the way Zeich's body clings underneath?

It's cold but Zeich s keeping me warm
And yet Tessa said


can feel the water r ck ing down its skin as though t were craw ng down my own

I feel so paranoid. Water feeling like eyes wandering down my body.
People are going to see.
And everything feels hyper-sensitive. The wet condition. I can smell the rain so much stronger. I can feel things more acutely. Like I can hear every raindrop.
It's kind of distracting me. Maybe it's better I focus on how the water hits the pavement than the eyes on me.
He's covering every inch of my clothes underneath. How can he have so much skin.
People are going to see...
Ella
What do you want?
BLINK
CHILI DOG

We're here already?
Where did the time go?
Let's stay under the roof... don't wanna eat soggy hot dog
Unh, so good.
Mhmm
(food she's had all week)
Also, this coat is great. It fits so nice
Tessa's radiant! They really do, enjoy it
How's Zeich by the way?
Cramped, but fairing well.
Ella's heartbeat races. Are you distressed?
I'm fine!
It doesn't feel as bad now that I've eaten
The rain's lighter now. Ready to go?
Yup
There's nothing to panic about

Why do you keep looking at me?
I dunno. You look tired
Yeah I am
Why are you grinning like that?
No reason
The rain is like white noise now. Despite the paranoia I felt before now all I can think about is crawling into my bed and going to sleep...
Hey watch where you're going
Oh god, I'm so sorry, sorry!

It's alright. Keep your eyes on the path, though.
Wolf is up with her ears?
Sorry.
Jesus, I didn't know a pregnant woman could get that big.
She was looking at me weird.
Her hormone levels are unusually high.
What?
I could smell her. She reeked thick of hormones.
That's kinda cool that you can smell that sort of thing.
I don't think humans can smell that well.
Hm... I wish for pups of my own as well. It would be nice, perhaps, to have. To smell a gravid female bearing young.
Wait, what?
Wait... wait.
HOW
Oh god... the Zeich babies. I want a baby wolf!
You've already got two cats to take care of first.
A man can dream.
Didn't even realise how hungry I was.
Thanks for that, Tessa.
No prob.

Want a mattress or do you wanna sleep on the couch down here?
Always the couch

By the way there's something on your face

I don t see anyth ng except the banda ds
Look at your ears

Tessa... can take care of him but But th s, th s is

I don t want this, Tess!
This sort of crap s absolute y nutter
E a

I don't want to change into something I'm not.
It's not permanent. Not permanent, okay? The moment you take the suit off, the process starts to reverse.
No, I totally get it! But--but just listen to me!
You can make free time for Zeich, just so he can feed and whatever. It doesn't have to be for hours on end like now or during the photoshoot.
Oh, by the way, I gotta send you those pictures. They're rad.
I won't... stay like this?
Nope!
I don't want to look different!
Sometimes I can't even deal with you. I better not see these things in the morning.
Yeah yeah yeah!
I don't want to look like a freak! I--
(Not shown: An hour of Ella trying to mentally convince herself that the changes will actually go away, as well as being peeved to find that Zeich took blood from her chest, leaving two ugly gashes between her breasts.)

Outer Limits

An hour of rubber wear.

For inconspicuous wear, do not use suit for more than 3 hours at one time.

Inner Start

Don't let your body get in the way of your desires.

Start with something simple.
Learn to trust your clothes,
Be encouraged by them to don
more extravagant wear in the future!